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NEWS from Congressman CHARLES W. WHALEN, Jr.

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Congressman Charles W. Whalen, Jr. (R-Ohio) will attend a conference for U.S. Senators and Congressmen on the Middle East to be held January 26-29 in England.

Whalen will be the only first term Member of the House of Representatives participating.

He also will be a conference leader of one of the nine sessions with Senator William B. Spong, Jr. (D-Va).

The subject of that session will be the effect of the Middle East war on the positions and policies of the U.S., Great Britain and the U.S.S.R.

The conference will center on the aftermath of the Middle East war and the aftermath of the British military withdrawal from Aden.

The conference is sponsored by the Ditchley Foundation, Oxfordshire, England.

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A large number of British Members of Parliament, government officials, journalists and academicians will be in attendance.

Other members of the U.S. group are Senators Peter H. Dominick (R-Colo) and John G. Tower (R-Tex), and Congressmen William E. Brock (R-Tenn), Silvio O. Conte (R-Mass), John C. Culver (D-Iowa), William D. Hathaway (D-Maine), Glenard P. Lipscomb (R-Calif), Joseph M. McDade (R-Pa), John S. Monagan (D-Conn), Howard W. Robison (R-NY), John V. Tunney (D-Calif) and Lionel Van Deerlin (D-Calif).

Whalen also will make brief stop-overs in Norway, Sweden and Denmark before returning to Washington on February 4.

The Ditchley Foundation will underwrite Whalen's expenses for the conference. He will pay his own expenses in, to and from the Scandinavian countries.

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